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Subject: Acute & Chronic Water Screening Levels

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## Eric.

I know you're looking for comments on this LWG document by 3/17. Here's my understanding the chronology of this document:

- 1) LWG's 4/29/05 Draft TM.
- 2) Jennifer P's 6/7/05 e-mail to you with her comments on the LWG's TM.
- 3) Your 7/7/05 e-mail to LWG asking for a table to summarize water screening criteria that are an outcome of the selection process (due from the LWG 8/5/05).
  - 4) EPA's 8/5/05 letter to LWG extending delivery date of LWG's table until 9/6/05.
  - 5) LWG's 9/6/05 Water Screening Tables 1 & 2 (for amphibians & Eco SLs).

I understand you've talked to Jennifer P & Burt S some re: the 9/6 tables, & that their opinion is that the tables, without the LWG having the comments both Jennifer & Burt had on the TM text, may not be very useful. I quickly spot-checked Table 1 (Selected Acute & Chronic Eco SLs) comparing the table values to the cited references ( EPA NRWQC, DEQ's AWQC & ORNL). The table looks pretty accurate, but I did notice the following:

- 1) Table 1 listed the chronic Total PCBs SL as 0.14ug/L, but both EPA's NRWQC & DEQ's AWQC lists the chronic value as 0.014ug/L.
- 2) Table 1 listed the chronic 4,4'-DDT SL as 0.013ug/L (ORNL value), but DEQ's AWQC lists the chronic value as 0.001ug/L. This value was also listed in Table 1 as Total DDTs.

I suggest you still consider including Jennifer's 6/7/05 comments on the TM text in EPA's comment letter to the LWG.

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